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FOR THE GRANULOCYTE-COLONY STIMULATING FACTOR RECEPTOR (G-CSFR) AND Customer No. 77845

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## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on June 3, 2008, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following arguments. August 3, 2008 was a Sunday. This response is being timely filed by the next business day August 4, 2008 and within two months of the date of mailing of the Final Office Action, thereby warranting the issuance of an Advisory Action. Applicants believe no further fees are due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge fees which may be required, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1700.

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